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Patent Public Advisory Committee USPTO Budget Update

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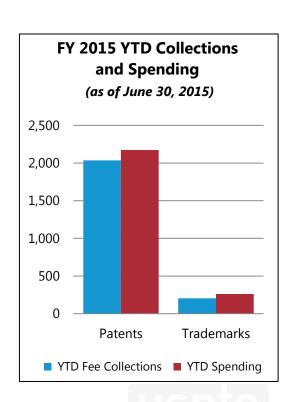
FY 2015 Status

- Fee estimate is \$93.6M lower than the estimate reported in the FY 2016 President's Budget
 - Current working estimate for fee collections is \$3.05B
 - Patents: \$2.78B, Trademarks: \$271.3M



FY 2015 Status (continued)

- As of June 30, 2015
 - Year to date fee collections: \$2.24B
 - Patents: \$2.04B, Trademarks: \$204.6M
 - Year to date spending of \$2.43B
 - Patents: \$2.17B, Trademarks: \$261.6M
 - End of year projected spending of \$3.25B
 - Patents: \$2.91B, Trademarks: \$339.5M
 - End of year projected operating reserve of \$472.7M
 - Patents: \$379.6.0M, Trademarks: \$93.1M



FY 2016 Status

- House and Senate have approved USPTO funding at \$3.27B
 - Senate report directs USPTO to include in its FY 2017
 OMB budget a long-term plan to reduce costs and expenditures if fee collections remain lower than projected levels
 - House report requests continued quarterly briefings on PE2E



FY 2017 Budget

- USPTO is working on the FY 2017 OMB Budget submission
 - PACs will receive a draft to review with comments due at the end of August 2015
 - Final document will be completed by September 14, 2015



Biennial Fee Review

- USPTO continues evaluating proposals and conducting analysis on potential adjustments to current fees
- Decision on whether to initiate a fee-related rulemaking process and formal notification to PPAC is still expected in September/October



Questions and Comments

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